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YASME Foundation Excellence Awards

(Press Release Dated 26 May 2016).

The Yasme Excellence Award is presented to individuals who, through their own service, creativity, effort and dedication, have made a significant contribution to amateur radio. The contribution may be in recognition of technical, operating or organizational achievement, as all three are necessary for amateur radio to grow and prosper. The Yasme Excellence Award is in the form of a cash grant and an individually-engraved crystal globe.

The Board of Directors of The Yasme Foundation is pleased to announce the award of the Yasme Excellence Award to the following individuals:

* Tim Duffy, K3LR: While Tim is involved in many facets of amateur radio, the Yasme Excellence Award is made in recognition of his adaptation and development of the Contest University (CTU), now in its tenth year. CTU has not only reached hundreds of amateurs around the world, but it has also inspired others to create their own CTU-format training programs in other fields. Tim's dedication to CTU is in the finest traditions of amateur radio's self-teaching and training.

* Carole Perry, WB2MGP: The Yasme Excellence Award is made in recognition of Carole's many years of contributions to teaching and mentoring youth interested in amateur radio and her efforts in organizing and promoting the interests of young operators. This youth-oriented work becomes more and more important to amateur radio with every passing year. Carole's dedication to this work, including through the Radio Club of America, is in the finest traditions of amateur radio's self-teaching and training.

* Tom Rauch, W8JI: The Yasme Excellence Award is made in recognition of Tom's many contributions to the technical advancement of the amateur service. Tom's willingness to provide education and direction to amateurs through his web site, www.w8ji.com, and other communications is a prime example of hams mentoring, teaching and training each other in the finest traditions of amateur radio.

The Yasme Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation organized to support scientific and educational projects related to amateur radio, including DXing (long distance communication) and the introduction and promotion of amateur radio in developing countries. For additional information about The Yasme Foundation, visit our website at www.yasme.org.

Ward Silver, NOAX, President The Yasme Foundation

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CU3URA 30th Anniversary



South African Radio League * Suid-Afrikaanse Radioliga
Member Society of the International Amateur Radio Union since 1925



Established on 28 May 1986, the Uniao de Radioamadores dos Acores celebrates its 30th anniversary by issuing an electronic certificate for three contacts made with CU3URA on different bands between 28 May and 31 December 2016. The certificate is free of charge and available to SWLs on a heard basis. Send QSO details to cu3aa.azores@gmail.com.

Changes in the IOTA Programme

Effective 1 June 2016

All certificates will be mailed electronically from now on; there will be no more paper certificates,

VHF/UHF contacts no longer count automatically for the standard category of application,

Charges have been increased and their structure has been simplified; the fee for the basic (IOTA 100) certificate will now be charged separately from the registration fee (Annex B),

IOTA groups are now considered "rare" with a confirmation rate of 20% (previously 15%) or less,

More changes are to be expected once the paperless QSLing system is fully implemented.

African DX

Africa DX Net - every Saturday afternoon from 14:00 UTC on 14,260 MHz hosted by Mike, V51MA, Leon, A25SL, and Tinus, ZS6MHK.

Uganda, 5X. Jonathan, KK7PW will be active as 5X10 from Uganda until 8 July. Activity is on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres mostly between 03:00 - 04:30 UTC using a FT-817 with 5 watts into either a long wire or vertical dipole. QSL via EA5GL.

Ceuta and Melilla, E69. Javier, EC7DZZ, and Manuel, EA7FKH, will be active as E69LH from Melilla between 16 and 17 July. Activity will be from Faro de Morro. Operation will be on the HF bands using 100 watts in to a G5RV dipole antenna. QSL via EC7DZZ.

African Islands

IOTA frequencies

CW: 28 040 24 920 21 040 18 098 14 040 10 114 7 030 3 530 kHz

SSB: 28 560 28 460 24 950 21 260 18 128 14 260 7 055 3 760 kHz

June

- 4 - West Rand ARC Flea Market
- 5 - World Environmental Day
- 6 - Start of Ramadan
- 8 - World Oceans Day
- 12 - Hammies ZS6 Sprint; SARL Youth Net
- 16 - Youth Day
- 17 - World QRP Day
- 18 - Highway ARC 20th Birthday, ZS5HAM on the air; ARRL Kid's Day
- 19 Father's Day
- 20 Winter Solstice
- 21 closing date for July Radio ZS articles
- 23 to 27 - SARL Top Band QSO Party
- 24 to 26 - Ham Radio 2016, Friedrichshafen, Germany
- 30 - End of SARL Membership year

July

- 1 - Start of SARL Membership year; Bloemfontein ARC 36th birthday
- 3 - ZS5 Sprint
- 6 - Eid-ul-Fitr
- 9 and 10 - IARU HF Championships
- 10 - SARL Youth Net
- 16 - Winter QRP Sprint
- 16 to 23 - Region 1 YOTA Summer Camp in Austria
- 18 - Schools open
- 24 - ZS2 Sprint
- 25 - Closing date for articles for the August Radio ZS
- 30 and 31 - Islands on the Air Contest

August

- 7 - SARL HF Phone Contest
- 9 - SARL YL Sprint; National Women's day
- 13 and 14 - International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend
- 14 - SARL Youth Net
- 21 - SARL HF Digital Contest
- 28 - SARL HF CW Contest



Canary Islands, EA8. Mike, DG5LAC returns to Fuerteventura (AF-004) for the time between 28 May and 18 June. He will be active as EA8/DG5LAC on 40 to 10 m (SSB - 100 W). QSL via h/c (d/B), LoTW, eQSL.

Sao Tome, S9. Josep, EA3BT, and YL Nuria, EA3WL, will be active as S9BT and S9WL, respectively, from Ilheu das Rolas, Sao Tome Island (AF-023), between 26 September and 1 October. Activity will be on 40-6 meters using mainly SSB, with some CW and RTTY. Equipment is an IC-7300 with an amp into EAxbeam (6 to 20 m) and wire dipole (40 m). QSL via EA3BT.

St Helena, ZD7. Bill, G0VDE, has now rescheduled his trip to Saint Helena (AF-022) for 18 to 30 October. He plans to operate as ZD7VDE on HF. QSL via G3SWH, ClubLog OQRS. <http://sthelenadx.com/>



Which light bulbs to use?

As you likely know, incandescent light bulbs are being phased out due to more efficient alternatives provided by fluorescent and LED technologies https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phase-out_of_incandescent_light_bulbs. However, some efficiency strides have been made recently with incandescent light bulbs, and perhaps we will see their return in a few years <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/science/2016/03/12/return-of-incandescent-light-bulbs-as-mit-makes-them-more-effici/>.

Scaling Up

The "scaling up" of things we are familiar with is often interesting because of the challenges inherent in just making things bigger. Whether it's OH8X's beam for 160 meters (RIP) www.youtube.com/watch?v=XCZCjqltJVA, W7RN's stacking of 80 meter beams www.w7rn.com/, or refurbishing a machine that weighs 1 million pounds www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2016/05/20/477926381/how-do-you-lift-a-million-pounds-of-stainless-steel-very-carefully?, things are different at larger scales.

Eating Well

For the long-term benefit of your multi-op team members, feed them well during contest weekend www.nytimes.com/2015/04/21/upshot/simple-rules-for-healthy-eating.html?_r=0

The Enigma Machine

Many have heard of the Enigma machine https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enigma_machine, an encryption/decryption device used by Germany and others in World War II, and the subject of intense decryption efforts by the Allied Forces; a lesser-known and more rare German cipher device called a Lorenz machine was recently re-discovered after it was the subject of an eBay auction <http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-36401663>. This rare machine was literally a "barn find."



The Carrington Event

Tim, K3HX, recommends the book *The Sun Kings* by Stuart Clark, which is "mostly about the 'Carrington Event' of 1859 when the Earth got blasted by a huge CME. From a ham radio standpoint, there's quite a bit about the nature of sunspots and how they were determined to work."

Word to the Wise

Stub - a sized piece of transmission line with only one end attached to a feed line. The other end is usually left open, or shorted. By using a stub's ability to transform impedance, it is possible to construct filters that present high or low impedance to signals at particular design frequencies. Stubs of transmission line can be attached using "T" connectors. Typically, a shorted stub for a particular frequency is used to eliminate even-numbered harmonics of that frequency. Stubs can be used at the output of transmitters or amplifiers, where conventional tuned networks may be less practical due to transmit power levels. For more information on stubs, see K9YC's document on Coax and Stubs <http://audiosystemsgroup.com/Coax-Stubs.pdf>, the ARRL Antenna Book and the excellent Managing Interstation Interference by George, W2VJN <http://www.qth.com/inrad/book.htm>.

Operating Tip

From Ed, WOYK: "Slow down to win." If you are running stations on a frequency, pause *briefly* after you have copied a response to your CQ, to potentially pick up another call sign or two. In this way, it is possible to chain contacts to avoid calling CQ and have a faster rate. For example, the normal exchange of -

Me: CQ N9ADG TEST

Caller 1: N7QT

(I hear other stations calling but do not pause to copy any of the calls)

Me: N7QT 599 WA

Caller 1: 599 VT

Me: TU N9ADG TEST

Caller 2: K7EDX

Me: K7EDX 599 WA

Caller 2: 599 WA

Me: TU N9ADG TEST

Can become:

Me: CQ N9ADG TEST

Caller 1: N7QT <I take a short pause even though I have copied N7QT>

Caller 2: K7EDX <I copied K7EDX's call, too>

Me: N7QT 599 WA

Caller 1: 599 VT

Me: TU NW K7EDX 599 WA

Caller 2: 599 WA

Me: TU N9ADG TEST

This can be especially easy if your logging program supports call sign stacking. You may find that stations will recognize your "mad stacking skills" and may attempt to insert their call after the other station sends their exchange. This *can* help you, but if not done correctly, or if not managed well, it can slow things down. For more information, see Ed's *Operating a RTTY Contest* PDF presentation from 2013, slides 40 - 43.

http://contestuniversity.com/attachments/Operating_a_RTTY_Contest_2013e.pdf

Super Bonus Field Day Tip

This one is from Ward, NOAX, revealed during a Question and Answer session at Contest University: Use a sheet of heavy-duty aluminium foil as a desk ground surface during Field Day. Tape the sheet down to the operating table near the back edge, then place rigs and other equipment on top of the foil. Make sure that the foil and the grounds of all of the equipment are tied to a robust ground bus. Make sure it is truly ground.

ARRL Antenna Book

There is new online content to go with the *ARRL Antenna Book*. Ward, NOAX, writes, "I've added a couple of cool things to the *Antenna Book* web page at www.arrl.org/arrl-antenna-book-reference. Since we cannot update the *Antenna Book* every year as we do the *Handbook*, I am going to start adding the occasional article to the website from time to time. You can find this content under the 'Supplemental Information and Files' menu on the *Antenna Book* web page.

Antenna Designs - Additional articles providing interesting and special-purpose antenna designs. The list will expand with more articles over time. Check back from time to time for new additions!

"An Ultra-Light Yagi for Transatlantic and Other Extreme DX" by VE1FA from the Mar/Apr 2016 issue of *TCA (The Canadian Amateur Magazine)*. This rope-suspended antenna was designed by VE1FA for his team's pursuit of the Brendan Quest award for the first two-way transatlantic QSO on 2 meters using only natural propagation. So far, they have been heard "across the pond," but have not completed the necessary QSO. Here is the EZNEC model (in compressed .zip format) for the antenna as well as a text file with measurements of the antenna

www.arrl.org/files/file/Antenna%20Book%20Supplemental%20Files/23rd%20Edition/Pouch%2043-ele%20Yagi%20Element%20Description.txt.

Article Lists - The downloadable *Excel* spreadsheet "Antenna Article Master Directory" contains the Tables of Contents for the entire *ARRL Antenna Compendium* series, Volumes 1-8, *Wire Antenna Classics* and *More Wire Antenna Classics*, *Yagi Antenna Classics*, *Portable Antenna Classics*, and *Simple and Fun Antennas*. The articles may be sorted according to a number of topics that apply to the articles, making it easier for you to find articles for your particular situation or application. (Updated 1 April 2016)

No SSB Skimmer

There is not an SSB Skimmer, yet, but here is an example of someone using cloud-based speech recognition APIs (Application Programming Interfaces) for a non-trivial application: "Say-what," an agent that pays attention to an online meeting for you. Here's how it works www.reddit.com/r/Python/comments/4jhma7/what_did_you_automate_with_python_scripts/d37clfr, according to the author, Josh Newlan, "I wrote a script that listens to meetings I'm supposed to be paying attention to and pings me ... when my name is mentioned. It sends me a transcript of what was said in the 30 seconds before my name was mentioned and everything within 30 seconds after." The program pipes audio to IBM's Watson Speech to Text API in real-time www.ibm.com/smarterplanet/us/en/ibmwatson/developercloud/speech-to-text.html. Josh has even made the source code available https://github.com/joshnewlan/say_what. It would be an interesting test to see what Watson could do with listening to a run frequency.

Software Defined Radios

As one of the fundamental building blocks for SDRs in their many implementations, the Fourier Transform's history began in the 18th century <http://www.edn.com/design/test-and-measurement/4441779/FFT--Equations-and-history>. It became practical to process signals in real-time only after Cooley and Tukey's 1965 re-discovery of the "fast" algorithm first described by Gauss in 1805.

PCB Design Software

Just in time for that summer radio project! Here's a survey of free PCB design software by *EE Times* http://www.eetimes.com/author.asp?section_id=36&doc_id=1329383

Contest Calendar

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 30 May 6 June 2016

Phone Fray

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 1 June

Mode: SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m

Classes: Single Op

Max power: 100 watts

Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or country; non-NA: Name

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station

Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country (except W/VE) once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 3 June 2016

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://www.perluma.com/Phone_Fray_Contest_Rules.pdf

CWops Mini-CWT Test

13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 1 June and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 2 June

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Member: Name and member no; non-Member: Name and state, province or country

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: Each call once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 4 June 2016

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.cwops.org/cwt.html>

NRAU 10 m Activity Contest

17:00 - 18:00 UTC (CW) and 18:00 - 19:00 UTC (SSB) and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC (FM) and 20:00 - 21:00 UTC (Dig) 2 June

Mode: CW, SSB, FM, Digital

Bands: 10 m Only

Classes: (none)

Exchange: RS(T) and 6-character grid square

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 16 June 2016

Upload log at:

http://ua9qcq.com/en/submit_log.php?lang=en

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <http://www.nrau.net/activity-contests/below-30mhz.html>

NCCC RTTY Sprint

01:45 - 02:15 UTC 3 June

Mode: RTTY

Bands: (see rules)

Classes: (none)

Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 5 June 2016

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rtty.html>

NCCC Sprint

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 3 June

Mode: CW

Bands: (see rules)

Classes: (none)

Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 5 June 2016

E-mail logs to: (none)

Post log summary at:

<http://www.3830scores.com/>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html>

HA3NS Sprint Memorial Contest

19:00 - 19:29 UTC (40 m) and 19:30 - 19:59 UTC 3 June (80 m)

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40m

Classes: Single Op

Exchange: HACWG Members: RST and membership no; non-Members: RST and NM

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 18 June 2016

E-mail logs to: ha3kna@tolna.net

Mail logs to: Radio Club, 7100 Szekszard, Rakoczi u. 16., Hungary

Find rules at:

<http://radioamator.honlapertes.hu/?p=1280>

10-10 International Open Season PSK Contest

00:00 UTC 4 June to 24:00 UTC 5 June

Mode: PSK31

Bands: 10 m Only

Classes: Individual; Club; QRP

Max power: non-QRP: 50 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Name, state, province or country and organization membership numbers

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 20 June 2016

E-mail logs to: tentencontest@ten-ten.org

Mail logs to: Dan Morris, KZ3T, 3162 Covington Way, Lenoir, NC 28645, USA

Find rules at: [http://www.ten-](http://www.ten-ten.org/index.php/activity/2013-07-22-20-26-48/qso-party-schedule/2-uncategorised/51-open-season-rules)

[ten.org/index.php/activity/2013-07-22-20-26-48/qso-party-schedule/2-uncategorised/51-open-season-rules](http://www.ten-ten.org/index.php/activity/2013-07-22-20-26-48/qso-party-schedule/2-uncategorised/51-open-season-rules)

PVRC Reunion

00:00 - 04:00 UTC 4 June (CW) and 00:00 - 04:00 UTC 5 June (SSB)

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - low or high

Max power: High: >100 watts; Low: 100 watts

Exchange: PVRC Member: 1st year of membership, name, QTH and call sign when joined PVRC

non-Member: name and QTH

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 10 points per QSO with

W3GRF, W4KFC or W3AU; 1 point per QSO with PVRC members

Multipliers: Each PVRC member state, DC, province, country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 18 June 2016

E-mail logs to: tshoppa@gmail.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://pvrc.org/reunion/reunion.htm>

DigiFest

04:00 - 12:00 UTC 4 and 20:00 UTC 4 June
to 04:00 UTC 5 June and 12:00 - 20:00 UTC
5 June

Mode: RTTY75, BPSK63, MFSK16, Hell-
schreiber, Olivia

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: SOAB, All Modes - 8 or 24 - QRP,
low or high; SOAB, Single Mode - 8 or 24 -
low or high; Single Op Single Band, All Modes
- 8 or 24; Multi-Op Single Transmitter

Max power: High: 1 000 watts; Low: 100
watts; QRP: 10 watts

Exchange: RST and 4-character grid square

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 1 QSO point per km between
stations

Multipliers: Each grid square once

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults

Submit logs by: 12 June 2016

E-mail logs to: digifest_robot@mixw.net

Upload log at:

[http://mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/digifest_log.
php](http://mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/digifest_log.php)

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

[http://www.mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/rulese.h
tml](http://www.mixw.net/misc/DigiFest/rulese.html)

Wake-Up! QRP Sprint

06:00 - 06:29 UTC and 06:30 - 06:59 UTC
and 07:00 - 07:29 UTC and 07:30 - 08:00
UTC 4 June

Mode: CW

Bands: 40, 20 m

Classes: (none)

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, serial no and suffix of previ-
ous QSO ("QRP" for 1st QSO)

Work stations: Once per band per period

QSO Points: 1 point per km

Multipliers: 1 point per new station worked
on each band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total multiplier points

Submit logs by: 11 June 2016

E-mail logs to: ru-grp-club@mail.ru

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

[http://grp.ru/contest/wakeup/333-wakeup-
eng](http://grp.ru/contest/wakeup/333-wakeup-eng)

SEANET Contest

12:00 UTC 4 June to 12:00 UTC 5 June

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - low or high; M/S - low or
high

Max power: High: >100 watts; Low: 100 watts

Exchange: RS(T) and serial no

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: SEANET: Each DXCC country
once per band; non-SEANET: Each SEANET
DXCC country once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points x total mults

Submit logs by: 3 July 2016

E-mail logs to: e21eic@gmail.com

Mail logs to: SEANET Contest 2016, GPO
Box 2008, Bangkok, 10501, Thailand

Find rules at:

<http://www.seanet2016.com/contest.php>

Dutch Kingdom Contest

15:00 UTC 4 June to 15:00 UTC 5 June

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m

Classes: Single Op Single Transmitter - CW,
SSB or mixed - low or high; Multi-Single -
CW, SSB or mixed - low; Multi-Multi - CW,
SSB or mixed - high; Novice - CW, SSB or
mixed - 25 W; SWL

Max power: Dutch HP: >100 watts; Dutch LP:
100 watts; non-Dutch HP: >200 watts; non-
Dutch LP: 200 watts

Exchange: RS(T) and serial no

Work stations: Once per band per mode

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: (see rules)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO
points

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 12 June 2016

E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at: www.dkars.nl

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://dkars.nl/index.php?page=rules>

IARU Region 1 CW Field Day

15:00 UTC 4 June to 14:59 UTC 5 June

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: (see your national society rules)

Exchange: RST and serial no

Submit logs by: 30 June 2016

E-mail logs to: (see your national society rules)

Mail logs to: Your national society

Find rules at: Your national society web site

RSGB National Field Day

15:00 UTC 4 June to 15:00 UTC 5 June

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Open; Restricted; QRP

Max operating hours: Open/Restricted: 24 hours; QRP: 12 hours

Max power: non-QRP: 100 watts; QRP: 10 watts

Exchange: RST and serial no

QSO Points: 2 points per QSO with fixed EU stations; 3 points per QSO with fixed non-EU stations; 4 points per QSO with portable/mobile EU stations; 6 points per QSO with portable/mobile non-EU stations; Double QSO points on 160 and 10 m

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points

Submit logs by: 12 June 2016

Upload log at: <http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>

Mail logs to: RSGB G3UFY, 77 Bensham Manor Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey CR7 7AF, England

Find rules at:

<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2016/rnfd.shtml>

Alabama QSO Party

16:00 UTC 4 June to 04:00 UTC 5 June

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - CW, SSB or mixed -

QRP, low or high; M/S - CW, SSB or mixed -

QRP, low or high; M/M - CW, SSB or mixed -

QRP, low or high; Mobile Single Op - CW,

SSB or mixed - QRP, low or high; Mobile Single Op and Driver - CW, SSB or mixed -

QRP, low or high; Mobile Multi-Op - CW, SSB or mixed - QRP, low or high

Max power: HP: >150 watts; LP: 150 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: AL: RS(T) and County; non-AL:

RS(T) and state, province or "DX"

QSO Points: 1 points per phone QSO; 2

points per CW QSO

Multipliers: AL Stations: Each state, VE

province/territory once per mode; non-AL

Stations: Each AL county once per mode

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 4 July 2016

E-mail logs to: logs@alabamagsoparty.org

Mail logs to: Jim Johnson, KC4HW, 6274

South County Road 49, Slocumb, AL 36375-5528, USA

Find rules at:

<http://www.alabamagsoparty.org/2016/2016Rules.pdf>

RSGB 80 m Club Championship, Data

19:00 - 20:30 UTC 6 June

Mode: RTTY, PSK

Bands: 80 m Only

Classes: (none)

Exchange: RST and serial no

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 13 June 2016

Upload log at: <http://www.vhfcc.org/cgi-bin/hfenter.pl>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

<http://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2016/r80mcc.shtml>

Next Week's Contests

ARS Spartan Sprint, 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 7 June
Phone Fray, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 8 June
CWops Mini-CWT Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 8 June and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 9 June
NCCC RTTY Sprint, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 10 June
NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 10 June
DRCG WW RTTY Contest, 00:00 - 07:59 UTC and 16:00 - 23:59 UTC 11 June and 08:00 - 15:59 UTC 12 June
VK Shires Contest, 06:00 UTC 11 June to 06:00 UTC 12 June
Asia-Pacific SSB Sprint, 11:00 - 13:00 UTC 11 June
Portugal Day Contest, 12:00 UTC 11 June to 12:00 UTC 12 June
SKCC Weekend Sprintathon, 12:00 UTC 11 June to 24:00 UTC 12 June
GACW WWSA CW DX Contest, 15:00 UTC 11 June to 15:00 UTC 12 June

VHF Happenings

UKSMG Summer Contest
13:00 UTC 4 June to 13:00 UTC 5 June
Mode: not specified
Bands: 6 m Only
Classes: Single Op - 24 or 6 - fixed or portable; Multi-Op - fixed or portable; QRP
Exchange: RST, serial no, 6-character grid square and optional UKSMG member no
Score Calculation: (see rules)
Submit logs by: 1 July 2016
E-mail logs to: contest@uksmg.org
Upload log at:
<http://logs.uksmg.org/cgi-bin/vhfenter.pl?Contest=UKSMG%20Summer%20Contest&year=2016>
Mail logs to: (none)
Find rules at: <http://uksmg.org/summer-contest-rules.php>

REF DDFM 6 m Contest, 16:00 UTC 11 June to 16:00 UTC 12 June
ARRL June VHF Contest, 18:00 UTC 11 June to 02:59 UTC 13 June

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